DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Suspension of six months and a day: Supreme Court No. 336, 2012. Effective Date: August 9, 2012.

By order dated August 9, 2012, the Delaware Supreme Court suspended Ronald G. Poliquin, Esquire from the practice of law in Delaware for six months and a day for violations of the Delaware Lawyers' Rules of Professional Conduct. The Court approved the findings made by the Board on Professional Responsibility. The Board concluded that in connection with two client matters and a Rule to Show Cause issued by the Court in a third client matter, Respondent (1) failed to provide competent (Rule 1.1) and diligent (Rule 1.3) representation by failing to conduct discovery and meet deadlines established by the Scheduling Order; (2) knowingly made a false statement to the Supreme Court by failing to disclose a prior disciplinary sanction for performance deficiencies (Rule 3.3(a)(1));(3) knowingly disobeyed an obligation under the rules of the Superior Court (Rule 3.4(c)); (4) failed to make reasonably diligent efforts to comply with discovery (Rule 3.4(d)); (5) engaged in conduct involving dishonesty, deceit or misrepresentation (Rule 8.4(c)); and (6) engaged in conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice (Rule 8.4(c)).

The Delaware Court of Chancery has appointed, James E. Liguori, Esquire (302) 678-9900 of the law firm of Liguori & Morris, as Receiver of Poliquin's law practice.